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ATTENTION: BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventors: Wilhelmus Quint and Leendert Van Doorn

For: PROBES, METHODS AND KITS FOR DETECTION AND TYPING OF HELICOBACTER PYLORI NUCLEIC ACIDS IN BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES

- (X) This application is a continuation of prior application 09/284,725, filed April 16, 1999, which is a U.S. National Phase under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of the International Application PCT/EP97/05614, filed October 10, 1997 and published in English, which claims priority to EP 97870133.2, filed September 9, 1997 and EP 96870131.8, filed October 16, 1996.
- (X) Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are the following documents:

- (X) Copies of the specification (52 pages), drawings (61 sheets) Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- (X) A Preliminary Amendment;
- (X) An Information Disclosure Statement;
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 listing fourteen (14) references, copies not enclosed;
- (X) A check in the amount of \$980.00 to cover the filing fee; and
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